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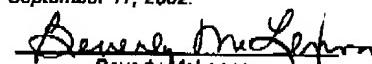
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Martin Hottner
Serial No.: 09/508,866
Filed March 16, 2000
For: Seam Joining A Waterproof Laminate With
Textile Layer Made of Multi-Component
Yarns

) Group Art Unit: 1771
) Examiner: J. Befumo

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 20, paragraph 4, please amend as follows:

**REWRITTEN PARAGRAPH IN MARKED UP FORM
PURSUANT TO 7.C.F.R. 121(c)(1)(ii):**

The seam is deemed to be watertight when the water entry pressure of the seam is greater than [0,13] 0.13 bar when measured using the suture test as explained above.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 38 and 81-83 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.